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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements previously filed on May 3, 2004 and June 21, 2004, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner a Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejection dated June 12, 2007 with respect to patent family member Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-014358, in which the following documents were cited:

- (1) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 2-155628 A, which is being submitted together with an English language Abstract and an English language partial translation thereof;
- (2) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 9-57696 A, which is being submitted together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (3) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 10-289489 A, which is being submitted together with an English language Abstract of the same; and

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- (4) Japanese Patent Publication No. JP 3-19153 A, which is being submitted together with an English language Abstract of the same.

The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the Japanese claims by the Japanese Examiner, is set forth in the Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejection.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of above-noted documents are attached hereto, and are listed on an attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the Japanese Notice of Reasons for Rejection and an English language translation thereof are also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form, and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next Office Action in the present application.

Since this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to the issuance of a Notice of Allowance, Applicants have included herewith a check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p). Applicants furthermore certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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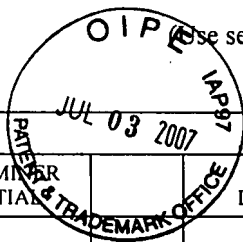
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	1	English Language Abstract of JP 2-155628.
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	3	English Language Abstract of JP 10-289489.
	4	English Language Abstract of JP 3-019153.

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